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SHOT BOTH SISTERS

Seymour Keener Murders His Two

ONE HAD REJECTED HIS ADVANCES

A Tragedy of Rabun County, Georgia.

CAPTURE OF THE CRIMINAL

ATLANTA, Ga., June 25.-Lillie and Laura Moore, sisters, daughters of a farmer in the mountains of Rabun county, Georgia, were killed yesterday by their cousin, Seymour Keener. Four years ago Keener fell in love with his cousin, Lillie vances. For two years he endeavored to him desist. Ever since he has been threat-

Yesterday afternoon the two sisters. young ladies of nineteen and seventeen, respectively, started from their home in Tennessee valley to visit a neighbor, who lived a few miles away. They drove past Keener's home on their way and Seymour

Shortly after he loaded two pistols, took \$200 which he had in the house, bade his which he had in the house, bade his little sisters good-bye and started off. Half way between his own home and that of the neighbor where his cousins were visiting Keener hid in some bushes by the mountain road. In the course of an hour the young ladies approached, returning to their home. Keener rushed out upon them with both

Keener rushed out upon them with both revolvers drawn.

Miss Laura, perceiving her sister's danger, rushed between her and Keener. She pleaded for her sister's life and, throwing her arms about Lillie's body, declared that she would die before Lillie should be harmed. Keener tried to tear Laura away, but felling it this program of the failing in this, placed the muzzle of the pistol to the brave girl's head and shot her dead.

Then he turned his weapon on the older sister. Lillie, and fired seven bullets into her body. The firing attracted the attention of persons living near. They soon found bodies and pursuit was quickly made the bodies and pursuit was quickly made.
Keener was soon overtaken. His cartridges were exhausted, but he fought with a knife and cut James Dickerson seriously.
Keener says that he shot Laura by accident. He is now in jail at Clayton, in the heart of the mountains of Rabun county.

ILLINOIS' NEW LIBEL LAW.

Only Actual Damages Recoverable Under Certain Circumstances.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 25 .- Gov. Alt. geld today signed the libel bill. This bill provides that in any action brought for the publication of libel in any newspaper in this state, plaintiff shall receive only the actual amount of damages, if it shall appear at the trial of such action that such publication was true, or that its falsity was due to mistake or misapprehension of facts, and that in the next two regular issues of the newspaper, the mistake or misapprehension was brought to the knowlmisapprehension was brought to the knowledge of the publishers, whether before or after action has been brought, a correction or retraction was published in a conspicuous manner and place in the paper as was the libel. No exemplary or punitive damages shall be recovered in any action brought for publication or libel in any newspaper in this state, unless plaintiff shall before bringing the suit give notice in writing to the defendant to publish a retraction or correction of the libel, and shall, before bringing suit, allow the de-

retraction or correction of the libel, and shall, before bringing suit, allow the defendant reasonable time in which to publish such correction or retraction. Proof a retraction shall be admissible in evidence in mitigation of such damages.

The provisions of the act shall not apply to a case of any libel against any candidate for public office, unless a retraction of the charge is made editorially in a conspicuous manner at least ten days before spicuous manner at least ten days before the election.

AN INDIRECT EXAMINATION.

Remarkable Efficiency of the Wash ington Post Office Practically Shown It is not often that such a civil service examination is put through as Mr. Baker, the private secretary to Public Printer Benedict, conducted the other day. The employes examined were not printers, but letter carriers in the Washington post office. It has been suspected for some time that the local carriers were to be inspected before long by the detectives of the Post Office Department, just as they have been of late in Philadelphia and other cities. But the general efficiency shown in Mr. Baker's examination renders such an official piece of detective work wholly super

fluous. Having a piece of work requiring the services of 200 printers for a few days, and having an unexhausted appropriation with which to do the work, the public printer decided to put on the men necessary and get the work out of the way at ence. So last Wednesday afternoon two hundred letters were duly written, signed, addressed and, about 4 o'clock in the afternoon mailed at the gayard rost effection. roon, mailed at the general post office. The next morning every printer who had been written to was on hand and reported for duty.

for duty.

This is the most remarkable instance of promptness on the part of the force in the Washington office, or for that matter, in any office in the country. It is a phenomenal circumstance that in addressing so many envelopes no mistakes should be made, and that every address should be so accurate that the carrier could find the addresse in so short a time.

Assistant Postmaster Sherwood, in speaking of this incident, said: "The fact is, we have here in Washington really a better class of post office employes than in any

rave here in Washington really a better class of post office employes than in any other large city that I know anything about. For the most part, our carriers are bright young men, a large proportion of them from the High School and other advanced schools, and they pass a pretty good examination in order to get into the service. They are usually of American birth, and show the characteristic pluck and quickwitted sense that we expect of birth, and show the characteristic pluck and quickwitted sense that we expect of men in their employment. As a result, the office does some remarkably creditable work, as in this instance mentioned by Mr. Baker. Now and then a man has to be d'sciplined, or once in a long while discharged, but complaints are fewer here than in other large cities. And you must remember that this is a pretty big stretch of country to cover—practically the whole District of Columbia."

A Post Office Contract.

Acting Secretary Wike has awarded the contract for skylight framing over Washington post office working room, framing for mail platform roof, steel vault lining, etc., to Thomas Marshall of Pittsburg, Pa., at his bid of \$19,947.75.

Gove for a Practice March.

Troops A and H of the sixth cavalry, and battery C of the third artillery, left here this morning for a practice march to Gettysburg, Pa., where they will take part in the ceremonies of unveiling the status of Maj.Gen. Buford. The troops are accom-panied by the sixth cavalry band, and ar in command of Maj. T. C. Lebo, sixth cav

He Will Assume Command of the North Atlantic Squadron Thursday.

No Program for Maneuvers Yet Arranged Because His Fleet is

So Scattered.

Acting Admiral Bunce was at the Navy Department today making final arrange ments to assume active command of the North Atlantic squadron on Thursday. He will go to New York tomorrow and on the next day will hoist his flag on the Cincinnati, which will be his flagship until the cruiser New York returns from Kiel. No definite plans have been made for a cruise of the North Atlantic squadron. In fact, the fleet is now so scattered it is doubtful if the admiral has more than two vessels with him at a time for weeks to come. The Montgomery is at Greytown, the Raleigh Moore, The girl rejected Keener's ad- is cruising off the Florida coast and the Atlanta, at New York, is under orders for pay her attentions, but finally she made Cuba. The New York and the Columbia are expected at New York about the 10th proximo, and the Minneapolis is undergoing repairs at Norfolk. The project for squad ron exercise and maneuvers will be held in abeyance until more definite informa-tion is obtained with respect to the vessels that may be available. Admiral Bunce has conferred with Secretary Herbert and Admiral Ramsay on the subject, and it is expected that satisfactory arrangements will be effected in a short time. The return of the New York and Columbia, the completion of the Minneapolis and the commissioning of the Maine and Texas will give Admiral Bunce a large and formédable fleet.

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Mrs. Bunce and family will leave here tomorrow with the admiral, and will spend
the summer on the Massachusetts coast.

COL. CARLETON SUSPENDED.

Result of a Misunderstanding With

Word has reached here that Col. C. H. Carlton, eighth cavalry, has been suspended as a result of a misunderstanding with Lieut. Gen. Schofield while the latter was inspecting the military post at Fort Meade, S. D., where Col. Carlton is stationed. According to the story told here, Col. Carlton offered mounts to Gen. Schofield and party, which were declined. Under the impression that he desired him to review the troops, Col. Carlton went out on the field In case the Raleigh and Atlanta are not and did so. Gen. Schofield left the post shortly afterward, expressing pleasure at the showing made during the review. The party was escorted to the depot, where the train was in waiting, and just before its departure an orderly was sent to Fort Meade with a sealed envelope, the con-tents of which directed Col. Carlton's relief and ordered him to make an explanation of his corduct in reviewing the troops to de-

his corduct in reviewing the troops to department headquarters.

The friends of Col. Carlton say that Gen. Schofield was offended because Col. Carlton did not consult him in regard to reviewing the troops after he had refused to accept a mount. No official report of this matter has been received at the War Department. It is said that Col. Carlton will ask for a court of inquiry of the consultance of the consultance of the court of ask for a court of inquiry.

NO MORE COLLECTIONS.

A Decision by the Board of Appraisers

Assistant Secretary Hamlin today issued a circular to collectors and other customs officers calling attention to the recent de cision of the New York board of general appraisers sustaining the appeal of the Central Vermont Railroad Company against a recent decision of the collector of customs authority of section 4382 of the Revised Statutes, collected a fee of 25 cents for receiving manifests of 280 railroad cars arriving at the port of St. Albans from Canada, and containing goods for entry. The board of general appraisers held that the section of the Revised Statutes under which section of the Revised Statutes under which the collection was made was repealed by section 22 of the present customs administrative act. The assistant secretary announces that no appeal can be taken from the board's decision to the courts under the act of June 10, 1800. This does away with the custom, which has prevailed for many years, of collecting a fee of 25 cents on all cars entering the United States from Canada.

COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY. Changes Made in the Reorganization

The reorganization of the office of the

coast and geodetic survey, announced in Saturday's Star, has resulted in the following changes:

Promotions-A. F. Rogers, from \$2,500 to \$4,000; O. H. Tittman, from \$3,000 to \$3,200; W. W. Duffield, from \$2,000 to \$3,000; C. H. Sinclair, from \$2,200 to \$2,500; S. Forney, from \$1.800 to \$2.000; C. H. Van Orden, from \$1,800 to \$2,000; Fremont Morse, from \$1,600 to \$1,800; W. B. Fairfield, from \$1,600 to \$1,800; W. I. Vinal, from \$1,400 to \$1,600;

\$1,800; W. I. Vinal, from \$1,400 to \$1,600; R. L. Faris, from \$000 to \$1,200. Reductions—Andrew Braid, from \$3,500 to \$3,000; Wm. Eimbeck, from \$3,000 to \$2,500; Wm. McKenzie, from \$1,800 to \$900. Removals—Geo. Davidson, \$4,000; G. A. Fairfield, \$3,000; R. M. Bache, \$2,200; J. E. McGrath, \$1,600; Edwin Smith, \$2,000; R. E.

Halter, \$1,800. Secretary Carlisle authorized the publication of these details on the theory that he had no secrets to suppress in his public acts.

Naval Cadets Appointed.

The following cadets to the Naval Acad emy have been appointed during the past two weeks: W. D. Humphrey, Richmond N. C.: C. F. McRae (alternate). Favette ville, N. C.; Robert G. Finney (alternate) Richmond, Va.; Philip Kearney, St. Joseph Mo.: Robert H. Good (alternate), New York city; Roland L. Willis, New York city; Guy L. Jones (alternate), Chicago; Wm. S. Case Chicago; C. D. Bird (alternate), Chicago; J. S. Dodge, Elkhart, Ind.; A. W. Northup, Bedforg, Ohio; R. H. Hastings (alternate) Willoughby, Ohlo; Thos. A. Beck, Covingten, Pa.; W. S. Miller (alternate), Galves ton, Tex.; E. S. Jackson (alternate), Scran ton, Tex.; E. S. Jackson (alternate), Scranton, Pa.; Russell Montgomery, Portland, Ore.; Huntington Johnstone (alternate), Portland, Ore.; D. H. Wells, fr., Salt Lake City; W. B. Palmer (alternate), Salt Lake City; E. B. Greaves. Glencoe, Minn.; W. McEntee (alternate), Montgomery, Minn.; Byron Kirkpatrick, Fredonia, Kan.; C. Shackford, South Orange, N. J.; S. L. Higgins (alternate), Roselle, N. J.; Ralph H. Barger, Smith Center, Kan.; A. E. Draper (alternate), Elisworth, Kan.; Allen Buchanan, Evanswille, Ind.; F. Simpson, jr., hanan, Evansville, Ind.; F. Simpson, jr.

The number of excursionists visiting Washington is increasing daily. The sightseeing vistors to this city during the sum mer months are most numerous after the Fourth of July, when the springs of Virginia and other southern states are visited. The Capitol has lately been visited by numbers of these excursionists. large numbers of these excursionists, but the greatest crowds do not come until after the Fourth of July celebrations are over and when this city is made a stopping place for northern excursionists on their way to the springs of the south.

ACTING ADMIRAL BUNCE THE COAST PATROL

Three More Revenue Cutters Added to the Fleet.

THE CRUISER ATLANTA SENT THERE

Inglorious End of One Filibustering Party.

STORY OF THE DISASTER

The Secretary of the Treasury has de cided to materially strengthen the South Atlantic and Florida coast patrol and for that purpose will probably send down the revenue cutters Forward, Morrow and Winona. These cutters will be assigned to the double duty of enforcing the quarantine laws against yellow fever infected vessels from southern ports and prevent-ing the departure of any Cuban filibustering expeditions. It is thought that with these additions to the naval force in these waters it will be almost impossible for any armed vessel to reach a Cuban port. A sharp lookout will be kept in all of the rivers and arms of the sea indenting the southern coast, and any expedition found arming against Cuba will be promptly dealt with.

The Atlanta Added to the Fleet.

The cruiser Atlanta at New York has een added to the United States fleet engaged in the enforcement of the neutrality laws in the Gulf of Mexico and the West Indies. The Raleigh will cruise in the neighborhood of Florida. The Atlanta will make her cruising grounds farther south in the vicinity of Cuba to intercept if possible any American fillbustering vessels that evade the patrol of the southern ports of the United States. The orders to the Atlanta were issued yesterday and she is expected to start from New York this afternoon or tomorrow.

Where She Will Cruise. She will proceed first to Port au Prince Hayti, after which she will cruise along the south coast of Cuba until necessary to replenish her coal bunkers, which duty will be performed at Santiago de Cuba adequate to the purpose of preventing further fillbustering other war ships will be sent to their assistance in addition to the fleet of revenue cutters already ordered to patrol duty in the gulf and the west Florida coast. Necessity for Prompt Action.

The administration is said to realize the necessity for prompt and vigorous action

in this matter and will give the Spanish government no further opportunity of accusing the United States of neglecting its duty as a friendly neutral nation in the matter of the Cuban insurrection. An Inglorious End.

Word reaching official quarters in Wash ington indicates that the filibustering expedition which was believed to have gone to Cuba on the steamer George Childs has come to an inglorious end. The boat was located after reaching Jamaica, but nothing definite has ever been heard as to the party beyond vague statements that they had landed at some remote point on the Cuban

time there has been no mention of what the band was doing.

coast. The last of these reports was two

weeks ago, on the 7th instant, from which

Met With Disaster. Information now reaching officials here leads to the belief that the party did not reach Cuba, but met with disaster off Florida, resulting in extreme hardship to its members. Six of them have returned to Key West in a famished condition, Laving lived on crabs in the marshes of the keys off the Florida coast. From the fact that there has been no trace of the party in Cuba, the officials here believe that those who have suffered such hardships in the key swamps are the main band of the Childs party.

An Insurgent Leader Killed. Official confirmation was received from Havana today as to the engagement between Major Garcia Delgado, with his

Spanish command, and Cassalles' insurgent forces. Cassalles and two others were killed and the band dispersed. The engagement is said to have been specially important because of its locality. It occurred or the plantation of San Jose, near Placetas province of Santa Clara. This is the point the plantation of San Jose, near Placetas, province of Santa Clara. This is the point nearest to Havana that the insurgents have reached. There was added feeling over their proximity to the capital because their commander, Cassalles, first enlisted in the Cuban volunteers, in the service of Spain, and afterward deserted to the interpret. He death it is claimed with surgents. His death, it is claimed, will break up the operations nearest Havana.

The Raleigh Looking for Them. In view of the developments as to the Childs fillibustering party, it is not improbable that the United States cruiser Raleigh will turn her attention to them. She left Key West yesterday without announcing her destination, and it is possible she has received the information which now

Personal Mention.

Lieut, Col. W. S. Worth, thirteenth in fantry; Maj. Charles Bird, quartermaster; Lieut. E. L. H. Paine, thirteenth infantry and Lieut. M. J. Lanihan, second infantry are among the latest military visitors to the city.

Dr. S. DeLancy Hicks has postponed his contemplated trip to Europe. Mr. Harry L. Collins, son of Mr. Joseph Mr. Harry L. Collins, son of Mr. Joseph F. Collins, recently carried off from Cor-nell with credit a degree for both mechan-ical and electrical engineering. He and Mr. Wm. Purman were the only ones from this city who received these degrees. Doctor Abbott Smith Payn will leave in a few days to assume the duties of assist ant resident physician in a New York has

Capt. Theo. F. Kane of the navy, who is on leave, is on a visit to this city. Chief Engineer A. Kirby of the Texas is in the city.

At Otter River, Campbell county, Va. Mrs. M. E. Stewart was today appointed postmaster, vice B. J. Wilkinson, resigned. Total number of fourth-class postmasters appointed today, 31, of which 24 were to il vacancies caused by death and resigna

Fourth-Class Postmasters.

Local Patents.

Patents were today allowed to the follow ng Washington inventors: Carl Barns, toy top; Carl Barns, leaf-holder for music pooks; Dr. Thomas M. Chatard, roasting urnace; William F. Downey, drainage sys-em for stables; William F. Downey, ve-nicle seat; Albert W. Smith, electric arc

The contract for the construction of two

hydraulic elevators in the west wing of the Treasury Department building was today awarded to the Standard Elevator Company of Chicago, at its bid of \$18,650.

Chinese Mob Was Encouraged by a Provincial Viceroy.

The French Minister at Pekin Has Sent an Ultimatum Demanding Prompt Redress.

LONDON, June 25.-A special dispatch rom Shanghai says that details have been received there of the outrages upon Americans and other foreigners at Cheng Tu capital of the province of Szchuen, showing that their sufferings have been appall-

The viceroy of the province, it appears, encouraged the Chinese mob to destroy the missionary and other property, and it is reported that a Chinese official attempted to behead Bishop Dunand.

The French minister at Pekin has sent an ultimatum to the viceroy of Nanking demanding prompt redress of the wrongs done to foreigners and announcing that in the event of non-compliance with the demands of France the commander of the French squadron will be empowered to act

STUCK TO HIS POST.

The Courage of a Motorman May Cost Him His Life.

PITTSBURG, Pa., June 25.-The fast meat rain on the West Pennsylvania road collided with an electric car on the Sharpsourg and Citizens' line at Sharpsburg at 12:30 this morning and five persons were injured. The names are: Dan Nolan, motorman, fatally injured; Dr. G. M. Kelly badly hurt, but not fatally; Dan Cyphers, Mrs. Noble and Frank Dougherty, cut and bruised.

There were about thirty passengers on the car, and the accident occurred at a crossing. Just as the electric car reached the railroad tracks the trolley came off, leaving the car in carkness. The engineer leaving the car in darkness. The engineer of the approaching train, which was running at a high rate of speed, did not see the car until he was quite near to it. He applied the air brakes, but could not prevent the collision. Most of the passengers on the car were able to get off before the accident occurred, but the motorman stuck to his post and will probably forfeit his life as the result.

SEVERE STORM IN THE WEST.

Considerable Damage by Hail-Mother and Infant Drowned. KANSAS CITY, Kan., June 25 .- A big

rain and hall storm visited this place last night, accompanied by high winds. Considerable damage to the gardens and to fruit was done by the hail. The blades of growng corn were torn into ribbons.

KIRKSVILLE, Mo., June 25 .- A rain and hall storm raged here last night. Reports of the destruction of crops and property are coming in from all parts of Adair county. On Sugar creek, in the Chariton bottoms, eight miles west of here, Mrs. Stewart and her infant daughter were drowned in the overflow.

WILL NOT TAKE PART.

Harvard's Reply to the Oxford-Cambridge Challenge.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., June 25.—The Harvard athletic committee has voted to reply to the challenge of Oxford and Cambridge for an international athletic meeting. The nembers of the committee refuse to make public the purport of the letter, but it is known that Harvard has not changed her position in the matter, and that she will not participate in such a meeting under the Norfolk for repairs. Her absence

Harvard's reply will probably not be ready to forward for several days, and will not be made public until it has been deliv-ered to the Englishmen.

HAVE FAITH IN CHICAGO.

English Capitalists Subscribe for a Gold Loan Several Times Over. LONDON, June 25 .- A three-million-dol ar gold loan of the city of Chicago at 4 per cent was offered here yesterday and was subscribed to several times over within a few hours. The manager of Spever Brothers, who floated the loan, said to a representative of the Associated Press:
"I must confess I had some doubt whether
the bonds were marketable, as I feared an
idea prevailed here that Chicago was given over to rioters. But we never handled a more successful loan. It was taken by the eading insurance companies and so the most responsible and heaviest investors

ARCHBISHOP OF ST. LOUIS.

The Official Document Has Been Re

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 25.-Most Rev. Joseph Kain has received from Rome the official document declaring him archbishop of St. Louis and translating Archbishot Peter Richard Kenrick to the see of Marout the communication for publication the archbishop said he did not deem it necessary. There was nothing new in it; it was merely a formal document.

THE BERING SEA BILL.

It Passes Third Reading in the House of Lords. LONDON, June 25.-The judicial commit tee amendment bill, enabling colonial judges to sit with that committee, passed

ts third reading in the house of lords to lay. The seal fisheries bill passed its second

Ocean Steamships Arrived. QUEENSTOWN, June 25. — Arrived steamer Pavonia, Boston for Liverpool.

GLASGOW, June 25 .- Arrived, steamer Assyrian, Philadelphia; Pomeradia, Montreal.

BREMEN, June 25.—Arrived, steamer Weimar, Baltimore. LONDON, June 25 .- Arrived, steamer Mi-

Barber Shops to Close Sunday. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 25.-After July

all barber shops in Illinois must remain closed on Sunday. The Cody bill has be some a law by legal limitation, Gov. Altgeld neither approving nor vetoing it. This bill, which is entitled "An act to prohibit bill, which is children and account of the barber shops from keeping open on Sunday," was introduced at the request of the Chicago Barbers' Union, representing, it is claimed, 101,000 members of the craft in

Going to Lourdes.

NEW YORK, June 25-There will be an other pilgrimage to the shrine of Lourdes this year under the direction of the Fathers of Mercy. The pilgrims will sail on the steamship Westerland, on July 10, and will return in the middle of September, Mgr. Satolli has indorsed the pilgrimage. Crisis in New South Wales

SYDNEY, N. S. W., June 25 .- Owing to

the rejection of the land and income taxes assessment bill, parliament will be dis-

OUTRAGES UPON AMERICANS SILVER CONFERENCE

A Majority of German State Governments Want It.

THE CHANCELLOR TO NEGOTIATE

European Movement to Settle the Money Question.

TERMS OF THE CALL

There is apparently considerable confusion as to the prospects of an international conference to consider the rehabilitation of silver, to be called on the initiative of Germany. This is due to the conflicting reports that have been received and also apparently to the complications of the question as it presents itself in

Germany.
Those who have given attention to the progress of the agitation in Germany say that Chancellor von Hohenlohe announced in the beginning that Germany's action in the matter would depend upon two circumstances. The first of these was that the German state legislative bodies should the German state legislative bodies should instruct for the issuance of the call, and the second that there should be a substantial agreement among the powers as to the terms of the cail. The latest report makes it appear that a majority of the federal governments want the conference and desire that Germany should issue the call for it.

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Terms of the Call. It is understood now that accepting this action on the part of the different states in the light of an instruction the chancellor will proceed to negotiate with the other European powers as to the terms of the call. The United States have made known call. The United States have made known their wishes in this respect so far as the legislative branch of the government can act, in the resolution appointing congressional delegates. In this resolution provision was made that the United States should be represented only in case the conference should be called to provide for a restoration of bimetallism. When the question was before the Prussian diet an effort was made by Chancellor Hohenlohe to amend the resolution so as to leave out the requirement that the call should be on these lines, but it failed.

Basis of Bimetallism.

If the other federal German states have aken the same position as Prussia the chancellor, it is held, will be virtually pledged to vote Germany for a call on a basis of a return to the bimetallic system. It then remains to be determined whether the other powers will accept this basis, and especially what England may do in the premises. The advocates of an international understanding feel that the change of administration in England will be in the interest of the movement, and they are, upon the whole, considerably encouraged over the outlook for another conference.

NO MORE ARMOR TESTS.

The Tug Triton to Be Laid Up for Repairs.

Owing to the fact that the tug Triton is to be laid up for extensive repairs there will be no armor or great gun tests at the Indian Head proving grounds for several weeks to come. The Triton has been used in transporting the heavy material from the navy yard to the proving ground. It has been found necessary to send her to cause no embarrassment for the reason that there are no big plates or projectiles requiring ballistic tests at present Nearly all the ordnance material authorized by Congress has been already tried and ac cepted, with the exception of a few hununtil fall. In the meantime, the offic and men at Indian Head will make i portant investigations in firing high ex-plosives from ordinary rifles and in trials of smokeless powder. During the tempo-rary embargo they will get their mall from Glymont and will establish communication with Alexandria by the use of a steam

EX-SPEAKER CRISP.

He Will Arrive Here July 2 En Route to Europe.

Ex-Speaker Crisp will arrive in this city on July 2, on his way to New York, where he will take a steamer for Southampton on July 5. He will be accompanied by his son, Charley Crisp, who acted as his clerk during the Fifty-third Congress. Mr. Crisp has delayed his visit to England, so that his son might graduate in law. They will spend two months in England.

The ex-Speaker's son has studied law during the last five years, and even while acting as clerk for his father, managed to devote several hours a day to reading Blackstone. Mr. Crisp wishes him to practice law, but it has not yet been determi whether he will make his residence for this purpose at America, Ga., or whether he will seek some larger community.

CONTESTED ELECTION CASES.

Evidence in Only Four of Them Has Been Printed. Contested election cases are being laid be-

fore the clerk of the House of Representatives daily. There are over two dozen of these cases, but at present the evidence of but four of them has been printed. These are the cases of William F. Aldrich agt. Gaston A. Robbins of Alabama, T. H. Aldrich agt, Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, John I. Rinaker agt, Finis E. Downing of Illinois and George Denny, jr., agt. W. C. Owens of Kentucky. The evidence presented in these cases is quite voluminus making in printed form from chem. nous, making, in printed form, from about three hundred to seven hundred pages. In a few days they will be in form for dis-

Army Orders. The resignation of Veterinary Surgeon M.

A. Piche of the first cavalry has been accepted by the Secretary of War, to take effect on the 30th instant. Additional Second Lieut. M. O. Bigelov

has been assigned as second lieutenant of tenth cayalry, troop K, and Additional Second Lieut. Wm. G. Sills, to be second lieutenant of the second cayalry, troop I. The following transfers in the tenth in-fantry are ordered: First Lieut, Edward H. Plummer, from company I to company First Lieut. Frederick Wooley, from com-

Contracts Awarded. The contracts for the general supplies for the Post Office Department for the new

fiscal year, were awarded today. The principal articles' contracted for are letter scales, wrapping paper, canceling inks, inking pads, twine and stationery, the value

Government Receipts.

National bank notes received today for redemption, \$157,075. Government receipts -From internal revenue, \$275,531; customs, \$246,071; miscellaneous, \$15,973.

IN BEHALF OF THE QUEEN FOR SOUND MONEY

The Rumored Filibustering Expedition Against Hawaii.

Clearing of the Schooner G. W. Watson From Seattle-Her Alleged

Intentions.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 25 .- The schooner G. W. Watson, which cleared from this port at the local customs office last night with 75,000 feet of lumber for Honolulu, intends to take on field pieces, small arms and ammunition off Cape Flattery. A large shipment of arms and ammunition has

been made to the sound by rail and is now

either stored or cached at various points

along the sound in the vicinity of Everett

and Whatcom. After the Watson rounds Cape Flattery, it is said, she will dump her big cargo of lumber into the sea, and a large number of small sloops and schooners will sail seaward from near the points named, bringing

ward from near the points named, bringing the new cargo. After the lumber cargo has gone into the waves it is said that she will head for a small island in the Hawaiian group, which has been selected and is peculiarly adapted to the landing of the contraband cargo. If her plans do not miscarry an insurrection may be expected to follow.

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A bold scheme is said to have been unearthed by the government agents recently. It is said that some San Francisco shippers and a woman in Honolulu who is worth \$2,500,000 proposed fitting up a schooner at this port, with heavy guns and small arms, and then go to a small island in the Hawaiian group and fortify themselves. It was calculated that the strength of the royalists and the allies of ex-Queen Lilliuokalani in San Francisco would greatly help out the scheme. It is also said a certain man in this city, well known for his fighting ability, was offered command of the expedition at a salary of \$550 permonth. If successful he was to have a high position under the royal government. position under the royal government

Hawaii on the Alert. Hawaiian officials have been cognizant

for some time of the plans at San Francisco to fit out an expedition intended to overthrow the Dole government, and their agents on the coast have been active in securing information. News reaching here from Hawaii has shown that the authorities took a grave view of the matter. A small government craft, used for customs small government craft, used for customs purposes, was fitted up with gatling guns and sent on a cruise around the islands to watch for the expedition. The land forces under Col. McLean, who recently went from Washington to assume command, were put in readiness for the expected descent. A new Hawalian law provides for the exclusion of persons suspected of having designs against the government.

The Hawalian legition here is closed for naving designs against the government.

The Hawaiian legation here is closed for the summer, and the new minister has not yet arrived. The charge d'affaires, Mr. Hastings, is in Maine, but keeps in communication with Washington on pending business. It is not known whether the Hawaiian officials have called the attention of the State Denartment to the fillustering.

of the State Department to the filibustering It is said, however, that this would not It is said, however, that this would not be necessary in order to have the United States authorities act if the expedition has assumed the definite shape stated in today's dispatches from the Pacific coast. It is said that the suppression of fillbustering under the neutrality laws applies to Hawaii exactly as it does to Spain, and the extent of this application was shown in the President's recent proclamation and the orders of Secretary Olney and Attorney General Harmon.

THREE MORE WAR VESSELS. The Texas, Maine and Lancaster to

Be Soon in Active Service. Three more vessels will be added to the These are the second-class battle ships Texas and Maine and the gunnery practice ship Lancaster, one of the last of the oldtime frigates. The Maine and the Lancaster will be put in commission at New York, and the Texas at Norfolk. The au thorities are now considering the detail of officers and men for these vessels. The probabilities are that Capt. T. F. Kane will command the Maine, Capt. M. L. Johnson the Texas and Capt. W. B. Hoff the Lan-

caster.
Congress has authorized the enlistment of 1,000 additional men for the navy, and it will take nearly the entire number to properly man the new ships. Recruiting will begin as soon as the law takes effect. July begin as soon as the law takes effect, July 1 next, and it is expected that a number sufficient for the three vessels named will be secured by the 15th proximo. The Lancaster will be kept permanently on the home station, with headquarters at Newport. The Maine and Texas will remain port. The Maine and Texas will remain in home waters for several months in order to determine their qualities by a practical test before sending them abroad. They are both government-built ships, and, in a sense, are experiments. The authorities will, therefore, keep them under observation for a general "shaking down" before sending either of them on an extended cruise. They can be made immediately available, however, in case of an emergency. gency.

WASHINGTON TO VAN BUREN.

Compilation of Innugural Addresses Messages and Proclamations.

Representative Richardson of Tennesse is making good progress in his work of compiling the inaugural addresses, messages and proclamations of Presidents from 1789 to date. At the last session of Congress this work was authorized, and the joint committee on printing of the House and Senate requested Mr. Richardsen to make the compilation. Mr. Richardson has been engaged on the work for several weeks, and the first volume of the eral weeks, and the first volume of the compilation will be ready to be sent to the government printing office today or tomorrow. This volume covers the period from Washington to Van Burean, inclusive. Besides the documents to be embraced in this work there will be steel engravings of all the Presidents. Mr. Richardson has found it rather difficult to decide woon a sixth of it rather difficult to decide upon a title for this compilation. He is now inclined to call it "Papers by the Presidents." The com-pilation when complete will make three or

A NEW REVENUE CUTTER

The William Windom Launched at Dubuque, Iowa, Last Saturday. After many months' delay waiting for a

favorable tide, the revenue cutter William Windom was launched at Dubuque, Iowa, Saturday, and will be taken at once to St. Louis to complete her equipment. It is expected that the vessel will be entirely completed in about three months. She will be delivered at Baltimore and will cruise on this station, replacing the old-timer Crawford. The new cutter is said to be Crawford. The new cutter is said to be superior in every respect to any of the thirty-five vessels in the revenue cutter service. She is 170 feet long, 27 feet beam and 14 feet draught. The contract price is \$98,500, and the speed requirement is 15 knots. Her armament consists of one sixpounder and two one-pound rapid-fire guns. The small arms include Jorgensen rifles, cutlasses and revolvers thirty of each The cutlasses and revolvers, thirty of each. The crew will consist of fifty men

Miss Dodge's Improvement. The improvement in Miss Abigail Dodge's

condition continues and she will probably be removed to her home, Salem, Mass., to-

the proof of the pudding is

in the eating. Pesterday's Star contained 46 columns

of advertisements, made up

of 784 separate announce: ments. These advertisers sought publicity-not merely

The Majority of the Committee on Resolutions at Louisville.

BLOW AT THE FREE COINAGE MEN

Meeting of the Congressional District Delegations.

THE KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS

Special From a Staff Correspondent. LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 25 .- Far into the night last night the political headquarters kept open at the various hotels, and the wire pullers were at work fixing their deals for today. Senator Joe Blackburn presided over the free silver headquarters, and coatless and perspiring, but ever genial and magnetic, welcomed the incoming delega-tions, while behind him was Phil Thompson of Washington, and the free silver candidate for governor, Gen. Harding, was close at hand. The sound money people made Clay's headquarters their rallying point, and Mr. Van Senden, Secretary Carlisle's private secretary: Superintendent Johnson of the bureau of engraving and printing. and Mr. Sam. Gaines of the Treasury Department represented the national admin-

enemy's territory.

The sensation of the evening was the withdrawal of Lieut. Gov. Alford from the governorship race. He is a sound money

istration, conducting campaigns in the

man.

In the card of withdrawal he said: "The results of the primarles as now known seem to indicate that the democratic party is willing to make either Mr. Clay or Gen. Hardin its nominee. Prior to my announcement I felt, and now feel, that, all other things being equal, one of these gentlemen should be preferred. Besides, in the present critical condition of the party I am unwilling to be the leastwise a disturbing element in the deliberations of the state convention. For these reasons and because of other sufficient conclusions, I desire to recall the declarations made in my interview, in so far as they made me a candidate, even in the qualified sense intended."

A Change in Tone.

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As the evening wore along there was a change in the tone of the silver men. They indicated an intention not to clamor for the 16 to 1 ratio, but to leave that unsettled, contenting themselves with demanding the free coinage of silver at a ratio subsequently to be fixed and the making of silver a money of primary redemption. The sound money men do not place any confidence in this apparent step toward a compromise, believing that if the silver men find a strong sentiment in the convention for their side they will proceed to the most radical ends.

radical ends.

The silver men will probably follow the policy as outlined in these dispatches yesterday and will make a desperate effort to nominate Hardin before a platform has been adopted, whether or not they secure control of the temporary organization. This will be vigorously opposed by the sound money men, who believe that it would be a serious mistake to nominate a candidate before drafting a platform. radical ends.

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Silver Men Bonsting. The silver men were loudly boasting this morning that they would organize the cenvention. The sound money men were hopeful of being able to control the meeting, but they were not as confident as their opponents. The coolest-headed politicians were not making any bets on either side, realizing that the contest was a close one.

national platform, but that to indorse the administration's financial policy would be to virtually accept the gold standard. If the convention refuses to stand by the administration it will be upon this ground.

District Delegations Meet. Shortly before noon the delegations from the various congressional districts met in Convention Hall and began the work of selecting their men for place on the committees on resolutions and permanent organization. This is the beginning of the fight on the question of platform, and in

All over the big building the delegations All over the big building the delegations were scattered, and from the various rooms an occasional cheer reached the main hall, showing that one side or another was gaining. The factional leaders were hard at work and every little county boss had his followers around him in an alcove or a window niche, forming a nucleus of sound money or free silver strength.

each case there was a stubborn contest, the factions battling for every inch of

window niche, forming a nucleus of sound money or free silver strength.

A bar room had been established in an ante-room adjoining the main convention hall, and was doing a land office business among the thirsty bourbons.

The total number of delegates to the convention is 878; necessary to a choice, 440. By a count of the county delegations who come with instructions for governor, Hardin has a majority of about 60 votes over Clay, but the Clay leaders claim that their main strength lies among the uninstructed delegates.

No estimate can be made of the strength of the financial factions.

The free silver and Hardin forces selected

of the financial factions.

The free silver and Hardin forces selected. Judge W. M. Beckner of Winchester as their candidate for temporary chairman. Judge Beckner is recognized as a shrewd lawyer and fine parliamentarian. He has served in the legislature, in the constitutional convention and part of a term in Congress

Congress. Committee on Resolutions.

A poll of the congressional delegations made by The Star correspondent in person after election of committeemen shows that of the eleven elective members of the committee on resolutions eight are now declared for sound money and three are the committee on resolutions will be ap-pointed by the temporary chairman. The poll of the committee on resolutions by delegations was given to The Star corre-spondent by the leaders of each delegation

spondent by the safe formation of the safe ver; fourth district, W. W. Walker, ad-ministration man; fifth district, J. Matherministration man; utth district, J. Matherten, sound money; sixth district, Colonel Elistion, sound money; seventh district, Arthur Yeager, sound money; eighth district, Congressman McCreary, sound money; ninth district, John Sagar, sound money; tenth district, Jno. P. Salyer, sound money; eleventh district, Geo. Stone, sound money;

The committee on permanent organization was made up in the same proportion. If these committeemen remain firm to their present declaration it means, of course, that the sound money men are in the lead on the matter of platform, for even if the two men at large are appointed from the silver ranks the committee on resolutions is attle active for sound money.

sound money.

The committee on permanent organization

silver ranks the committee on is still safely for sound money. Senator Blackburn's Defeat. The news that the committee on resolu-

tions would be strongly a sound money body quickly circulated among the silver men and caused the utmost surprise in their ranks all through the early morning. The silver men had been bragging that